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## New Building To Be Dedicated This Weekend

The formal dedication of Moody Hall, the new home economics building at Madison, will take place at 11:15 a.m. Saturday, May 5, as part of the 50th Homecoming program.

State Senator Blake Newton will address the student body and faculty at this program.

Special music will be presented by the college orchestra and concert choir. The faculty and administration will participate in the dedication in full academic attire.

Mrs. Rosa Loving, a Madison College alumnae and present State Superintendent of Home Economics for the State Board of Education, will also speak at the Saturday program.

The home economics building is named for Mrs. Pearl Powers Moody, a former home economics teacher and head of the department. She taught at Madison from 1916 to 1940. Mrs. Moody is at Madison because of illness, but her son, Jim Moody, now living in Iran, will fly to Harrisonburg to attend the dedication ceremony that honors his mother.

The facilities for the new building include three kitchen laboratories, one clothing construction laboratory, one textiles laboratory, one experimental animal laboratory, an auditorium, private offices for each staff member, a small and a large conference room, a lounge, and additional classrooms. The auditorium is also used for demonstrations and as a classroom.

A four-room apartment is located in the building. It is furnished with custom-made furniture. A department dining room is adjacent to the department.

President G. Tyler Miller is in charge of the dedication ceremonies.

# Homecoming And May Day Draw Visitors and Alumni

## About 150 Alumni To Return Here For Weekend

May Day weekend will be homecoming weekend for approximately one hundred and fifty alumni.

These alumni will attend a series of programs, including a reception in Moody Hall on Friday, 7 p.m. The reception will be for home economics students, alumni and special guests.

There will also be a luncheon for them in Bluestone on Saturday afternoon.

The class of 1942 will meet in Converse Hall on Saturday for its annual reunion, and the Athletic Association, sponsors of the May Day program, will have a reception in Alumnae Hall for former May Queens and officers of the athletic organizations on campus.

A silver tray will be awarded to the alumnae chapter having the most members present for homecoming at a general meeting of the Alumnae Association on Saturday.

The alumni returning for homecoming are: 1912 Vada Whitesel, Pearl Haldeman Strickley, and nine others. Gertrude P. Royall Townes will be the alumnae from 1913. Returning from the graduating class of 1914 are Anna Allen, Elizabeth Mitchell, and Margaret Burke Corr; 1917, Emma E. Boyd; 1918, Audrey Harvey, and Georgie Foreman Smith; 1921, Lucy Moon

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Seated above is Miss Brenda Pipicelli Madison's 1962 May Day Queen. Standing is Maid of Honor Miss Courtney Miller.

## Newton To Crown May Day Queen Brenda Pipicelli

Brenda Pipicelli will be officially crowned Queen of May Day Saturday by State Senator Blake Newton.

The procession of the 1962 May Day Queen, the Orchesis Club will present a "Ritual Fire Dance." Following the performance by the club, students selected from the modern dance classes will perform numbers capturing the theme of May Day, "The Colors of Life."

"Jazz Blues," "Green Leaves of Summer," "Yellow Bird," "Deep Purple," and "Cheery Pink" are the titles of the dances which will be given.

### FORMAL DANCE

The May Court will be the center of attraction again at the May Day formal dance Saturday night. Highlighting the evening will be the formation of a rainbow figure by the May Court members and their escorts.

The theme of the dance is "Rainbow in Rhythm." It will be held in Keezell Gym from 8:30 to 12:00.

The Cavaliers from Charlottesville will play for the dance which is being sponsored by the college social committee.

Tickets are selling for \$3.50 and may be purchased in the post office lobby before the dance or at the door Saturday night.

### On May 5

## Club To Distribute Literary Magazine

The Chrysalis, Madison's literary magazine, will be distributed free of charge on May 5th.

One of the primary objectives of the magazine is to help create an appreciation of all aspects of literature on the campus.

The types of literature to be found in the magazine are poetry, short stories, and essays. These articles are submitted to the magazine from interested Madisonites each year. These copies are received and screened by members of Criterion Club (the literary club on campus). The surviving selections are collected by the club's sponsor, Dr. Martha Fodaski and Mary Anne Franzoni, editor of the magazine. These two prepare and arrange the material for the printer.

This year will be the fifth edition of the Chrysalis. The magazine was Dr. Fodaski's idea and it has grown into a fine contribution to the school. At present, publication of the magazine is only once a year, but the club is hoping to expand the magazine next year into a bi-annual affair.

Last year the magazine was sold for twenty-five cents but because of a lack of student interest this policy is discontinued.

## Faculty To Honor E. D. Miller, Retiring Prof., At Reception

Retiring professor, Dr. Edwin DeWitt Miller will be guest of honor at a faculty reception in Alumnae May 8, 1962.

Dr. Miller has been teaching at Madison since 1939. During the past twenty-three years he has taught Biology, Comparative Anatomy, Invertebrate Zoology, and Geology.

Born on October 17, 1889 on a small farm near Bridgewater, Virginia Dr. Miller has since become a well-known figure in the world of science. He is most noted for his cytological studies of cytoplasmic inclusions and his histological studies of the affect of adrenal on bone marrow.

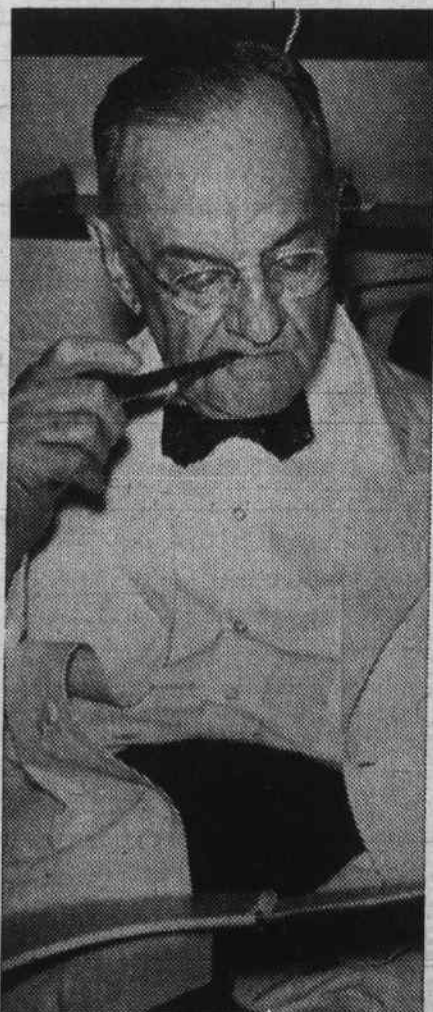
Dr. Miller began his early schooling in a one-room schoolhouse near Bridgewater. After two years, he left this school to enter the primary department at Bridgewater College. He stayed there a number of years, graduating from the primary department to preparatory school and finally to a business course. Following the business course, his career as a college student was interrupted by World War I in which he served his country as a member of the American Expeditionary Forces in France. After the war he returned to Bridgewater College, graduating in 1920 with an AB in general science.

After graduation Dr. Miller taught in the public schools of West Virginia for seven years.

During the summer he attended the University of Chicago for work in education.

Dr. Miller then entered University of Virginia, where he pursued

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Dr. E. D. Miller

## Student Government Gives Rule Changes And Revisions

by Barbara Slate

**Editor's Note:** An article from each of the major organizations is to appear in the Breeze once a month. Their purpose is to keep the students informed on the activities of these organizations. This is the first of the series.

The Student Government Organization announced several rule changes and revisions in Wednesday's assembly. Students are requested to compare the new rules to the old to see what changes have been made.

The approved time for signing out for a blind date has been changed from 6:00 p.m. to not later than 9:00 p.m.

Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors may date Friday nights until 11:00 p.m. without a special permission instead of 10:30 p.m. as at present.

Babysitting is permitted in faculty homes and minister's homes. Junior and senior students will be allowed to sit until 1:00 a.m. and must be brought back to the dormitories by 1:15 a.m., following a formal dance, and on other nights they must return to the dormitories by 11:30 p.m. Freshmen and sophomore students who serve as babysitters must return to their dormitories by 12:30 a.m. on nights following a formal dance, and by 11:30 p.m. on other nights. Permission is not granted for students to stay overnight. Parental permission is necessary for students who wish to babysit. Permission is obtained from the Dean of Women.

Attendance at morning church services (early or 11:00 a.m.) is

required for all students who have Sunday morning dates. Students may leave for day trips with dates immediately after either service. Sunday afternoon dates may be received as early as 2:00 p.m. in social centers unless they are dinner dates after church.

The student body is asked to remember that students with dates may not ride with more than six persons in cars with only two seats. Also, yelling out of the windows is prohibited. Cutting campus the last month of school is a privilege extended to seniors only.

Standards would like to remind the students that there is to be no sun-bathing and bermuda shorts are not to be worn to meals or around the campus during May Day weekend.

"Just one more inning!" This was the plea of the SGA-SGO softball team when they discovered at the completion of three innings, the previously agreed upon number to be played, that they were losing. So the innings accumulated until the Student Government Councils were ahead by one run.

Members of the defeated team were Jack Armentrout, YMCA, Dave Behrens, YMCA, Carolyn Jordan, WAA, Lyn Cox BREEZE, Rita Sharpe, BREEZE, J. Copp, teacher, and Dina Young, BLUESTONE cheerleader.

Members of the victorious team were Margaret Taylor, SGA, Carole Boettcher, SGA, Charlotte Wooten, SGA, Barbara Slate, SGA, Danny Hooke, SGO, Dennis Goladay, SGO, Joyce Teele, SGA,

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## Growing Pains Are Painful

Growing pains can indeed be painful. Student opinion concerning the rooming situation for 1962-63 seems to justify this statement. For the second time in two years, the students have found their four-girl suites, with the accommodation for four, crowded by the necessity of having a fifth girl in their suite. In many cases, this situation causes psychological, intellectual and emotional difficulties. Having three girls in one room, which is designed to accommodate two, is often like having two women in a kitchen or two families in one house. Naturally, the students ask for and need an explanation for this situation.

The "maximum" or ideal bed space at Madison is for 1121 students. This past year, Madison housed approximately 1292 students. The reason for the greater number of students as versus the number of accommodations is complex, but basic.

As most students realize, the status of a college education is becoming more and more important every year. A result of this is that more students in high school are taking the college preparatory curriculum. More students, too, are realizing the necessity of a college education, so they are "putting more effort" into their high school work. Consequently, more and better qualified students are applying to Madison. The standards for admission for students this next year are considerably above those standards that were required when Madison's present students applied. Mr. DeLong, director of admissions, and the Admissions Committee have an extremely difficult task in sorting out and accepting the best qualified applicants. Is it fair to turn down students who are more than qualified because of lack of space? When more space, even at the inconvenience of the students, can be made available, is he not justified in accepting these students? If you, the student reader, were in the position of the applicant, wouldn't your answer be in the affirmative? This had something to do with the larger Freshman class last year, but that is not the complete story.

Every year college admissions people base their number of students accepted for the following session on an average percentage which is composed of the estimated college students who will drop out of or graduate from school and the estimated number of applicants who will cancel their applications. This estimate is the result of years of mathematical formulation. Last year, more students returned to Madison than allowed for by this carefully worked out percentage. This could possibly be the result of the greater emphasis on college education or, possibly, on the more qualified students that are presently enrolled at Madison. But, the result is the same. There were more students than there was space. The college gathered its wits and gathered its extra beds. Education at Madison trod on.

The college has tried to alleviate the overcrowded situation by requiring a payment of \$80.00 of all students who plan to attend Madison next year. This would cut down on the number of students who say they will return or come to Madison but don't, and it gives the director of admissions a more definite idea of how many applicants for the following session he can accept. Through the balance of these two figures, the college fills every space to its "maximum" capacity, but it does not become overcrowded. When it became obvious this past March that more students were returning than allowed for by the above mentioned percentage. Mr. DeLong and President Miller took immediate action. By informing the applicants that the quota had nearly been reached, they cut down the number of applicants who were just "applying" to Madison. The school, because of this action taken, knows which individuals are sincerely interested in attending Madison.

The problem that now has to be dealt with is grave. Because of the large amount of students who are returning to Madison, the amount of incoming Freshmen has to be cut down. These are, remember, qualified applicants! If the number of Freshmen admitted is the same number as allowed for by the "maximum," or ideal, bed space, the balance of classes (freshmen, sophomore, juniors and senior) will be completely thrown off. Basically, the problem is whether or not we will have "a" freshmen class. If it is small, what will it be three years hence? The only solution, then, is to admit a few more people than we really have room for. The bed space is 1121. The number of students next year will be 1285. This includes approximately 100 less freshman students than the number we had this past year. True, it is an inconvenience to the students, but in the long run, we, as educated individuals, will be a convenience to society. We can only hope that the people who deal with the financial aspect of education will realize the importance of the "rooming situation" inconvenience. Our education is of foremost importance to us, but it is necessary that we study under proper conditions in order to do justice to our potentialities in education.

We need more space. Unfortunately, nothing can be done about this situation this year. This is not because of poor planning by the administration, but because of the lack of dormitory space and the great abundance of qualified students.

Mr. DeLong, Dean Garber, President Miller, and the many other administrators who have to deal with this problem should be congratulated, rather than criticized, by the students. Instead of putting efforts into finding a scapegoat, we should put our efforts into finding a way to finance more dormitory space. This is our need. Let's hope that it can be fulfilled.

## Letters To The Editor



Mrs. Agness Dingleline

### Mrs. Dingleline Welcomes Alumni

Madison welcomes you to our Homecoming on this fifth day of May, 1962. This is indeed a milestone in the history of our college. The dream of many years has been fulfilled in Moody Hall, our new Home Economics Building. Many have labored to make the building possible. Many more, we hope, will use and enjoy it. We are glad you are here to share in the dedication of this building.

Madison is proud of you and the contribution you are making in your schools and communities. We hope you will see many old friends, make some new ones, have a good time, and be stimulated to richer, fuller living.

Do come back often to your Alma Mater!!!

Agness Dingleline  
Alumni Secretary

### Why Not Combine Bermuda Rules?

Dear Editor,

The rule allowing students to wear bermudas on the weekend has been in effect for some time and has worked successfully. We have heard no serious objections or comments by visitors about this rule. Generally speaking, Madison girls have not abused this privilege and the function of the Standards committee is to enforce it in case it should be abused. Recently there has been discussion about wearing bermudas until 9 o'clock each day, which the majority of the students strongly favor. We understand that the administration has no specific objections to this proposal in itself. Therefore, why not combine the new proposal with the established and accepted rule instead of forcing a trade?

Eleanor Gullion  
Betsy Rose  
Anne Carol Watkins

### Shorts Argument "Takes The Cake"

Dear Editor,

I have just climbed three flights of steps after attending the second dorm meeting in two weeks to argue over a silly rule. That rule being the one concerning the regulation on the wearing of Bermuda shorts.

This last meeting really "took the cake" to use an old cliché. The whole question in this meeting seemed to be childish and very immature. To think that we, supposedly, mature women would engage in such a insignificant argument over a trivial matter. It is even more surprising to think that the president of a college would tend to set up a situation such as this in which there is a type of childish "I will give you this in return for that."

Wearing Bermudas is relatively insignificant so why all the fuss. If we are to engage in such serious disagreement with the administration over the regulations that govern us on campus why not fight over one that is important in the long run.

So I urge you students to STOP AND THINK before you act. If we argue so violently on a silly matter who will take us seriously when we go after a really important one such as the changing of the junior high school curfew hours we have around here.

Marie A. Kasuba

### FACULTY TO HONOR

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work towards a masters in Biology. In 1930, following his obtaining his masters, Dr. Miller became an instructor at the University. He also pursued postgraduate research at the School of Medicine, receiving his Doctorate in Biology in 1934. During these research years, Dr. Miller wrote numerous articles and book reviews about biological subjects for various foreign and American journals.

Dr. Miller's hobbies include horticulture, gardening and golf. He is a member of a number of scientific organizations including Sigma Xi, American Association of Zoologists, Association of South Eastern Biologists, AAAS, American Institute Biological Sciences, The Virginia Academy of Science and others. His biography has appeared in American Men of Science, Who's Who in Science and Men of Science in the South.

He is married to the former Miss Alice McKee of Saltville, Virginia, and they have no children. As to his future plans, Dr. Miller says, "They are indefinite."

## Registration Chaos Alleviated

A scheduled day on the calendar, for many years, has been the dread of students and professors. To think of registration day was once a horror-provoking thought.

Most students thought of rising at hours they rarely saw, crowding into lines that appeared to have no beginning and no end, and sitting on floors that had collected all the dirt and dust of the masses of students waiting to register. Pushing, scheming, bribing, or any other matter of means, were used to "get in to register and to get out." Empty stomachs, short tempers and long faces were the standards of student registration.

Professors, and secretaries too, had their problems. For eight hours they were constantly plagued with the above mentioned "students". Problems and explanations were repeated again and again. Claustrophobia was a common disease. At the end of an eternity, the professors and their secretaries, dragged home with an unwavering fear of the next registration.

This year, the picture changed. Time schedules for students' admission and receipts were required in order to register. The registration during the morning fulfilled even the highest of students and professors expectations. Students slowly filtered through the gymnasium, the lines and the conferences with the professors. There were no great masses of people, no great lengths of lines, and no great flares of tempers. Even though the afternoon registration period was somewhat similar to that of the old registration, we owe our thanks and gratitude to the person who organized registration day. Because of a little more imagination and a little organization, time, feelings, students and professors were saved.

## The Free Lance Nationalism Trend Good One

By David R. Blevins

It might be just the Spring that's in the air, but there seems to be a hint of a rising hope in the United States. From newspapers and magazines this feeling is manifested in reporting a seeming trend toward a new American Nationalism. President Kennedy's handling of the steel price hike is pointed to as a sign of the Administration's keen interest in protecting the consumer from monopolistic big business. The Supreme Court decision on Reapportionment (Tennessee case) is looked-upon by many as a new direction in providing men with equality in governmental representation. The legislation before Congress to give the vote to all who have a minimum of a sixth-grade education regardless of race is interpreted as a trend toward fairplay in voting procedures. The steps taken to integrate schools throughout the country is taken to indicate progress in securing equal rights to all.

Even the resumption of nuclear testing is viewed by many to be a manifestation of the recognized need to fill the gap between the Russians and ourselves. It appears, at least, that there was no national depression at the resumption.

The flight of John Glenn in orbital flight was a needed shot-in-the-arm to the American pride.

Americans tend, so my European friends say, to tear themselves down needlessly as to domestic policy (our handling of the Negro problem); our educational system (believing here that the European system is superior); and our foreign policy (Cuba, et. al.). Americans have a right to feel great pride in their country's history, institutions, and her present status among the family of nations. Of course we reserve the right to be critical of our institutions and policies, but maybe we go a little far in this. At the risk of further flag-waving, I think we have the right to feel such pride. I've been fortunate in that I've had the opportunity of seeing the conditions in a half-dozen European countries...our country can compare favorably with any of them (including West Germany, France, and England).

Maybe we should stop destroying ourselves. (The Russians will be happily willing to do this job). Enlightened self-criticism is always a necessary criterion of a democratic "open society"; again, the problem is degree.

## Missionary To Be Guest of Wesley

Miss Barbara Leonard, a graduate of North Carolina State College, will be on campus May 9 and 10 as the guest of Wesley Foundation. Miss Leonard has been a short term missionary in the Philippines teaching music. She is particularly interested in speaking to students who are considering the mission and social work fields of vocation.

Bobbie's schedule on campus will be as follows:

Wednesday — Conferences, tour of campus, assembly, lunch in Junior Dining Hall and supper at Wesley for all students who would like to meet her.

Thursday — Y Chapel, lunch and supper in Bluestone and Spanish Club meeting at 3:30.

If any other organizations would like for her to speak on the Junior Year Abroad, Summer Service Projects, the Church's Mission Today, or her work in the Philippines, please contact Lib Pittsworth at Wesley House or Marcy Corwin in Logan 207. Individual conferences may also be arranged through them.





Pictured above is Madison's 1962 May Court. Seated left to right are Brenda Mullen, Ann Barber, Betina DiIorio, Nancy Joyner, Joy Wells, Nicki Beverage, Sally Ann Mahaney, Barbara Sweeney, Frankie Murphy, Ann King, Judy Wilburn, Joyce Trussell, and Lou Ann Miller. Standing left to right are Sally Cara-

ballo, Charlotte Smith, Virginia Davis, Ann Lee Dickson, Mary Catherine Neale, Eleanor Gullion, Mary Stewart, Jen King, Carol Wells, Diane Pennewell, Donna Stine, Mary Alice Young, Toni Ross, Carole Knight, Bev Huffman, Mary Lou Owings, and Pat Moore.

## Students to Draw Room Assignments May 7, 8 and 14

Drawing numbers for room assignments for the 1962-63 session will take place in Alumnae Hall on Monday, May 7 for juniors, Tuesday, May 8 for Sophomores and Monday, May 14 for freshmen. Students are requested to be at Alumnae at 6:30 p.m.

In order to draw a number a student must present her room deposit slip stamped with "registration completed" or "registration pending". No student will be allowed to draw a number unless she has her receipt.

A student may draw a number for another student if she brings the receipt of the girl for whom she is drawing. Numbers may be traded, but each student must have a number in order to sign for a room.

Rooms will be assigned in the office of the Dean of Women on Wednesday, May 9 for juniors, Thursday, May 10 for Sophomores, and Tuesday, May 15 for freshmen. Dean Garber will begin the assignments at 7:30 p.m. Students requesting room assignments must bring the number she has drawn, the room request, and the student's room deposit statement marked "registration completed" or "registration pending".

Students in 6-girl suites will sign for their rooms first. Those students who have completed the arrangements for 5-girl suites will sign for the rooms next. All suites will have at least 5 girls to a suite. Students without suitmates will sign for rooms next, and, lastly, students without roommates will sign up for rooms.

Sorority presidents and the president of Carter House may sign for students in their residences any time during office hours of the Dean of Women on Monday, May 7, provided they follow the general instructions for all students.

Students with receipts marked "registration pending" will not be given definite room assignments until their receipts are marked "registration completed" by the registrar. However, rooming requests will be taken, and these requests will be honored if it is at all possible.

## STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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Eddie Bennet, SGO, and Larry Armentrout, spectator.

Having had their exercise for the year, the Major Organization athletes' play was adjourned, and work sessions, were convened. On May 8 the SGA and SGO plan to hold a joint meeting. The SGA advisors, Deans Garboer, Meeke, Tolbert and Drs. Theodore and Caldwell have been invited to attend this meeting. The minor officers of the SGO were installed Wednesday evening, May 2. The minor officers of the SGA were installed in a noon assembly the same day.

Recently the YWCA held installation services for its new minor officers. The new advisors for the YWCA are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kline. The merging of the Interfaith Council with the YWCA is another new aspect of the organization.

Dina Young, editor of the BLUESTONE, has announced the various editors for the yearbook. They are: organizations, Annett Morris; Features, Mimi Hunt;

Athletics, Carol Ohl; division pages, Joyce Teele; greek, Anna M. Leighty; faculty, Peggy Burnley; art, Toni Masters. The BLUESTONE has chosen the company to publish next year's annual, but they are still looking for a student photographer.

WAA will install minor officers and sports leaders on May 8. Afterwards the new cabinet will meet to make plans for the coming year. Special attention will be given to the Chuck Wagon supper for the freshmen. This will be one of the first functions for WAA next year.

## Free Passes

STATE: Kay Harrold, Linda O'Bryan, Linda Krebs, Elma Fromm, Gail Christensen, Jo Anne Brown, Peggy Bowman, Mary Anne Franzoni, Ruth Carey, Becky Lester.

VIRGINIA: Kathy Hudson, Anne Carey Bruce, Jo Anne Bogan, Nicole Bernard, Carol Atkinson, Leigh Foster, Sara Urquhart, Diane Powell, Betsy Zimmerman, Dolores DeFant.

## Madison Student To Compete In National Singing Contest

A Madison student has been selected to compete with top American singers in a national contest.

Miss Katherine Sloan Black, contralto, who had won a state contest earlier competed in and won the Southeastern Regional National Teachers of Singing Contest held at Winston Salem, N. C., on April 14. She will now represent this division at Los Angeles, Calif., December 27-30, in a national contest to select "Singer of the Year."

In the regional contest she won first place in the advanced division in which she competed against students from Duke University, West Virginia University, and colleges from Florida, Georgia, North and South Carolina.

"Even if I do not win, the experience will be most valuable," Miss Black said concerning the national contest. "I will be able to hear some of the country's best young singers."

The contest which qualified Miss Black to represent the state of Vir-

ginia was held at Madison on March 17.

Miss Black, the student of Miss Edythe Schneider, has sung in "The Common Glory" in Williamsburg, Va., and has acted as Chole Holland, one of the three female leads, in "The Founders" at the Founders Theatre in Jamestown, Va.

She has sung with Martial Singer, French Baritone of the Curtis Music Institute, Philadelphia, Pa., and with Frances Bible of the New York City Opera Society.

Miss Black, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Edward La Mar Black of Fall Church, Va., has sung in student productions of "Oklahoma" and "Carousel."

She is accompanied by Mrs. Nancy Hackam of Harrisonburg, who is the student of Mr. Lowell Watkins of Madison College.

At Madison Miss Black is a charter member of Sigma Alpha Iota, an honorary music fraternity, and a member of the Concert Choir.

## Present May Day Contrasts With Religious Pageant Of Past

by Rita Sharpe

Sunshine, flowers, beautiful girls, and a May Queen are associated with the May Day of today. Yet to our ancestors the dawn of May Day meant the beginning of a religious pageant.

The Celts of early England held a festival called Beltane during which bonfires were lit and rites were held honoring the gods and goddesses of agriculture and fertility.

When the Romans ruled England they brought with them the custom of honoring Flora, their goddess of blooming vegetation, in the early Spring.

Even after the Romans returned to their native land, the English continued the Roman custom. During the medieval and Tudor periods of English history the first of May was set aside as a holiday. On this day everyone, including rich and poor, kings and serfs, went "a-Maying" in the woods, and returned in triumph with a pole lavishly decorated with flowers, boughs, and other tokens of Spring.

The main flower in the May Day decorations is the hawthorn bloom, called "the May," which was used to trim the doors and windows of the peoples' homes.

The Maypole, made of birch, was usually set in the middle of the village or town and was the center of the gay and sometimes wild activities of the May Day festival. In the larger towns, such as London, the Maypole was usually made of cedar for it was to last for the whole year while those of the villages were to last but for the day.

The selection of a May Queen originated in the Middle Ages of English history. The fairest maid in the village was chosen as "Queen of the May" (remember that May referred to the hawthorn bloom) in much the same way we chose our Apple or Cherry Blossom Queens. The Queen was crowned with flowers and placed in a little arbor or bower where she remained all day while youthful revellers danced and sang around her.

To our ancestors the elaborate festivities were meant to insure good crops and happiness and were closely linked with the appeasement of the gods and spirits of the day. To us May Day has become a time of merry making with joy and happiness our only goals.

Although very little of the original rites of May Day are observed today, in some places in England people still decorate themselves with flowers.

Portraits

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## Wilson To Attend Harvest Festival As MC Princess

Terry Wilson, a rising junior, has been chosen as the Madison College Harvest Festival Princess for 1962.

The Festival will be held in Roanoke, Virginia next fall.

Miss Wilson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Wilson of Lynhaven, Va., and is a 1960 graduate of Princess Anne High School. She is blond and is five feet four inches tall.

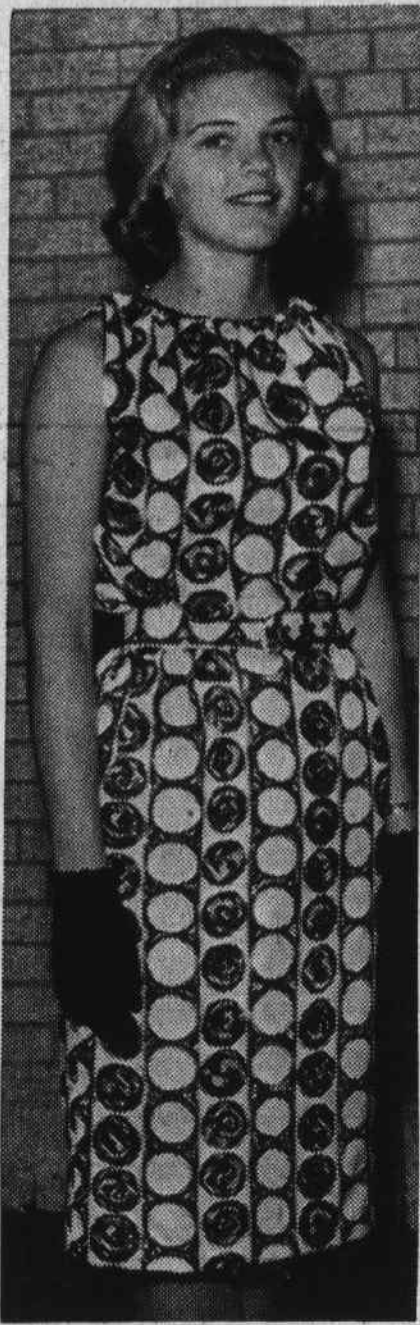
At Madison Miss Wilson is enrolled in a curriculum of secondary education with both psychology and art as major fields of study.

Orchesis, a modern dance group, and Sigma Sigma Sigma social sorority are two of Miss Wilson's extra curricular interests. Next year she will serve as vice president of Orchesis.

Future plans for this coed may include teaching art in the Richmond area. But as she says, "Nothing is definite."

Miss Wilson was one of twenty Madison coeds who walked for Festival Princess. She was selected by the student body in an assembly held April 30, 1962.

Carol Brockway, who introduced this year's candidates, represented Madison College at the Harvest Festival this past October.



Miss Terry Wilson

## MC English Department Meets Spong Committee Requirements

How important is English? Is Madison doing its part to provide high schools with qualified English teachers?

The answer to the first question can be found by looking at the statement of the Commission on the English Curriculum, **Language Acts for Today's Children**. "To think clearly and honestly, to read thoughtfully, to communicate effectively, and to listen intelligently are as important today as they ever were."

In the Spong Committee Report to the Commission on Public Education to The Governor of Virginia and The General Assembly, the facts that English "carries over into all other subjects... and every student will live with English for the remainder of his life" are brought forth.

What is Madison doing, not only to provide high schools with teachers who can teach English effectively, but to make sure that all graduates from this college know the fundamentals of English. To make sure that Madison students do know English grammar, they are required to pass a standardized exam at the end of the first semester. Juniors are also required to pass a proficiency test in order to make sure that they have the minimum English ability before graduation.

The Spong Committee's find that there is a great demand for Eng-

lish teachers in our high schools today is based on the large classrooms and heavy teaching loads placed upon English teachers. The demand is not just for English teachers but for good ones. To raise the standards of its graduates who plan to teach in this field, Madison offers courses that are related to English and that will give the teacher a broader view of the English language and related fields. Offered at Madison are such courses as Modern Drama, Mythology, Creative Writing, and History and Development of the English Language.

English majors are being strengthened by an increase in the hours. English majors must now have 42 hours of English (30 beyond the general education requirements) whereas before only 30 hours were required. There are at Madison summer seminars in English where teachers may go to increase their knowledge and thereby be able to pass on their new knowledge to their students.

There has been an increase in (Continued on Page 5)

## Pi Omega Pi Ups Its Requirements

Pi Omega Pi, a national fraternity in business, has raised the entrance requirements for membership in the Beta Nu Chapter at Madison.

Until this time students with a 2.5 accumulative average have been eligible for membership. In the future, students will need a 2.6 accumulative average. There is another change in students' averages in business. In the past, a 2.75 average in business was sufficient; now a 2.85 average will be necessary.

At the monthly meeting on April 12 when the vote was taken to raise the standards, initiation of spring pledges also took place. The new members are Phyllis Baylor, Sandra Blosser, Fred Eaton, Judy Hertzler, Jennie Hines, Marie Johnson, Joyce Keiter, Sally Manspeaker, Janice Middleton, Darrell Nygaard, Linda Pace, Robert Steckley, and Shirley Thackston.

At this meeting, plans were also made for the annual spring banquet to be on May 10. The 1962-63 officers will be installed at that time.



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## Cercle Francais Learns Customs of French Easter

At the conclusion of the last business meeting of the Cercle Francais, Nicole Bernard told the story of Easter in France.

To begin, she told about Mardi Gras. This day is observed especially in the southern part of France in the Student Quarter in Paris with parades, music, and dancing. Ash Wednesday is observed in quite a different manner; a solemn church service is held in which ashes are put on the forehead. On Holy Thursday, the French attend a mass commemorating the Thursday Christ founded the Holy Eucharist or Communion. The children are told a legend that on this day the church bells fly to Rome to be blessed. But on Sunday the bells return, ringing out the gladness of the Easter morning.

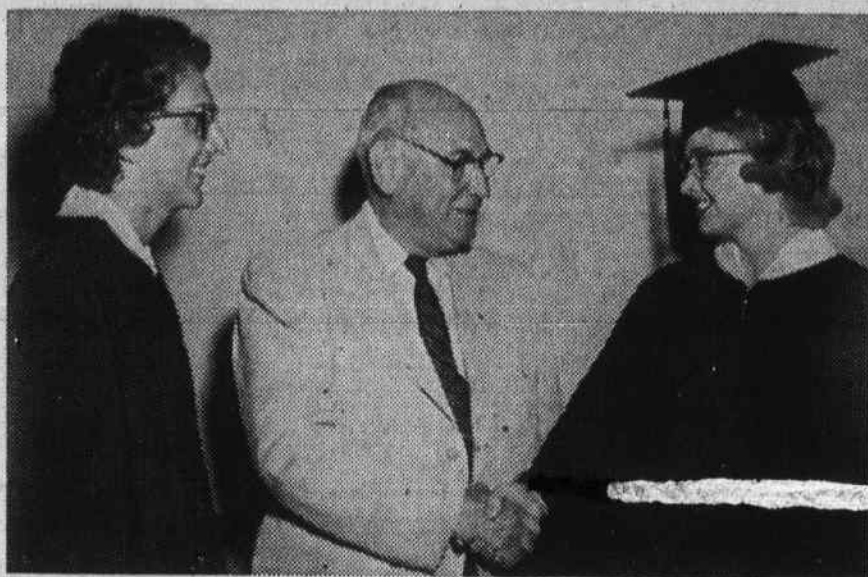
She went on to tell the club about other French holidays such as Students' Day, Mother's Day and Bastille Day. Miss Bernard also told the club what holidays France does not observe. Did you know that the Frenchmen have no St. Valentine's Day? The Frenchmen also do not send greeting cards for every and any occasion as we in America do.

The club also discussed plans for the annual picnic which was held yesterday at the home of Dr. Rauch. To this last meeting of the year were invited the incoming sophomores who will be continuing their study of the French language.

Next fall, these people may wish to join the Cercle Francais for its most active year yet!

## ENGLISH DEPARTMENT (Continued from Page 4)

students majoring in English at Madison in the last six years. In 1956, there were only 37 English majors at Madison. Now, in 1962, there are 98. This is an increase of over one hundred per cent.



President G. Tyler Miller is shown congratulating Miss Bonnie Oyer, next year's Student Government Vice-President, after the minor officers installation assembly on May 2. Miss Sandra Whitt, this year's Vice-President, capped Miss Oyer in the assembly. Other minor officers who were installed were Carol Atkinson, vice-president of Honor Council; Jo Dunnington, Secretary of Student Government; Shelby O'Bryan, Treasurer of Student Government; Brenda Alexander, Recorder of Points; Carol Boettcher, Chairman of Standards; Joyce Teele, Editor of the Handbook; Barbara Praveck, Chairman of Recreation Council; and Liz Chappell, Chairman of Social Committee were all installed.

## Kappa Pi Initiates Two New Members

Kappa Pi recently initiated two new members into the honorary art fraternity. They are Sarah Moore and Lois Phillips.

This year's officers are Terry Franklin, President; Carol Atkinson, Vice-president; and Patsy Lefler, Secretary-Treasurer. They will be replaced by the new officers who will serve for the 1962-1963 term. They are Sarah Moore, President; Lois Phillips, Vice-president; and Carol Atkinson, Secretary-Treasurer.

Kappa Pi recently took a trip

to an art exhibition in Richmond held at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts to see the display of 1962 paintings.

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## Freshmen Present "Wagon Wheels"; Choose Mirror

Directed by Betty Ann Davis and co-directors Tanya Suarez and Carol Wootten, the Freshman Class presented "Wagon Wheels" on April 18.

The following eight freshmen were announced at Freshman Class Night as epitomizing the different aspects of personality and achievement:

Best All Around - Carol Wootten  
Best Looking - Toni Ross  
Best Leader - Robin Oyler  
Friendliest - Judy Harris  
Most Talented - Diane Miller  
Most Athletic - Peggy Lane  
Most Intelligent - Sammy Wright  
Most Dependable - Carol Wootten  
Wittiest - Elaine McGlathery  
Most Class Spirited - Carol Wootten

### 150 ALUMNI TO RETURN

Young; 1923, Helen Smith Mugler; 1926, Hazel Branch Landis; 1927, Mary Strickler Jenkins, and Lucille McGlaughlin Heatwole; 1928, Mary Armentrout Jackson, Virginia Harvey Boyd, Mildred Alphin and Mary McNeil Willis; 1933, Betty Bush Coyner, Sallie Face Carleton and Christobel Childs Wetsel; 1934, Margaret Morrison Herd and Mary Spitzer Etter; 1935, Inez Graybeal Roop and Louise M. Harris; 1936, Fannie Rowe Brown; 1937, Archie Lin Massie, Mary Jane Gum Sellers, Eleanor McKnight, Mrs. Talfourd Shomo and Ruth B. Spitzer; 1939, Mary Rogers Stout; 1940, Margaret Bottom; 1942, Dorothy Council Beale, Emma Patterson, Jane Dingleline Hueston, Eleanor N. Logan, Lee Schaaf Schultz, Jane Sites Hawkins, Libby Lee Deter Appleton, Marguerite Hull Oakley, Eleanor Hart Casterton, Betty Sandford Witherow, Alice Monroe Robins, Winogene Mauck, Evelyn Kuhnert Foster and Helen Walthen; 1944, Elizabeth Abbott Bennett and Nancy Harbough Gibson; 1945, Topsy Bottom Jennings, Sara Overton Partidge and daughters, Ann Holt Hamill and daughters, Jean Raup Brady, and Beatrice Marable; 1946, Virginia Moore Wiley; 1947, Eugenia Waneslow Ferrell, Lee Crenshaw, Alice Agnor Magee, Sue Lambert Ross and Thelma Lee Crenshaw; 1948, Courtney Kyhn, Phylis Epperson Gray, Lucille Flook McCown, Margaret Johnson, and Betty Hoover Kiser; 1950, Grace Armistead, Ruth Harris, Wailes Darby, Joanne Craig Cook, and Elizabeth Doyle; 1951, Kate Perkins, Ann McCormick, Jane Chason Keyes, Gloria Virst Caldwell, Bonnie May Wampler, and Sylvia Jackson Barden; 1952, Alberta Ramey Costello, Ann Smith Howard, Gloria Shaver, Eva Shuler Holtzman, Juanita Holloman Black, Lucille Blanks Percell, Shirley Rotella Abernathy, Barbara Hurdle Phillips, Betty Slothouber Crook, Catherine Chauncey Gracza, Mary Beth Knox Kephart, Margaret Simpson Warner, Nannie Gordon Rennie Brown, and Pat Kilduff; 1954, Cora Frances Smith; 1956,

Edith Henson Good, Jeannett Ralph Tinsman, Doris Craun Dabney, and George D. Leffel, Jr.; 1957, Nancy Dixon Marrin, Beverly Anne Pleasants, Daisey Camper, Kate Prease, Martha Ann Goodwin, Jane Hogan Packett, Suzanne Garst Glass, Lynne Ramsey Walker, Jean Smith Johnson, Bessie

Smalts Solenberger, Katherine Ann Samford, Mary Ann Marcus Dunn, Ginger Brown Aliotti, and Ann Townes Robertson; 1958, Priscilla Shafer Jamison; 1959, Flora Yates; 1960, Joyce Rollins; 1961, Mary Boles Nelson, Bonnie Nelson Mason, Mrs. Lloyd Dickens Burton,

and Jackie Albrecht. Other returning alumni are Virginia Dunington, Billie K. Horne, and Nell Binford.

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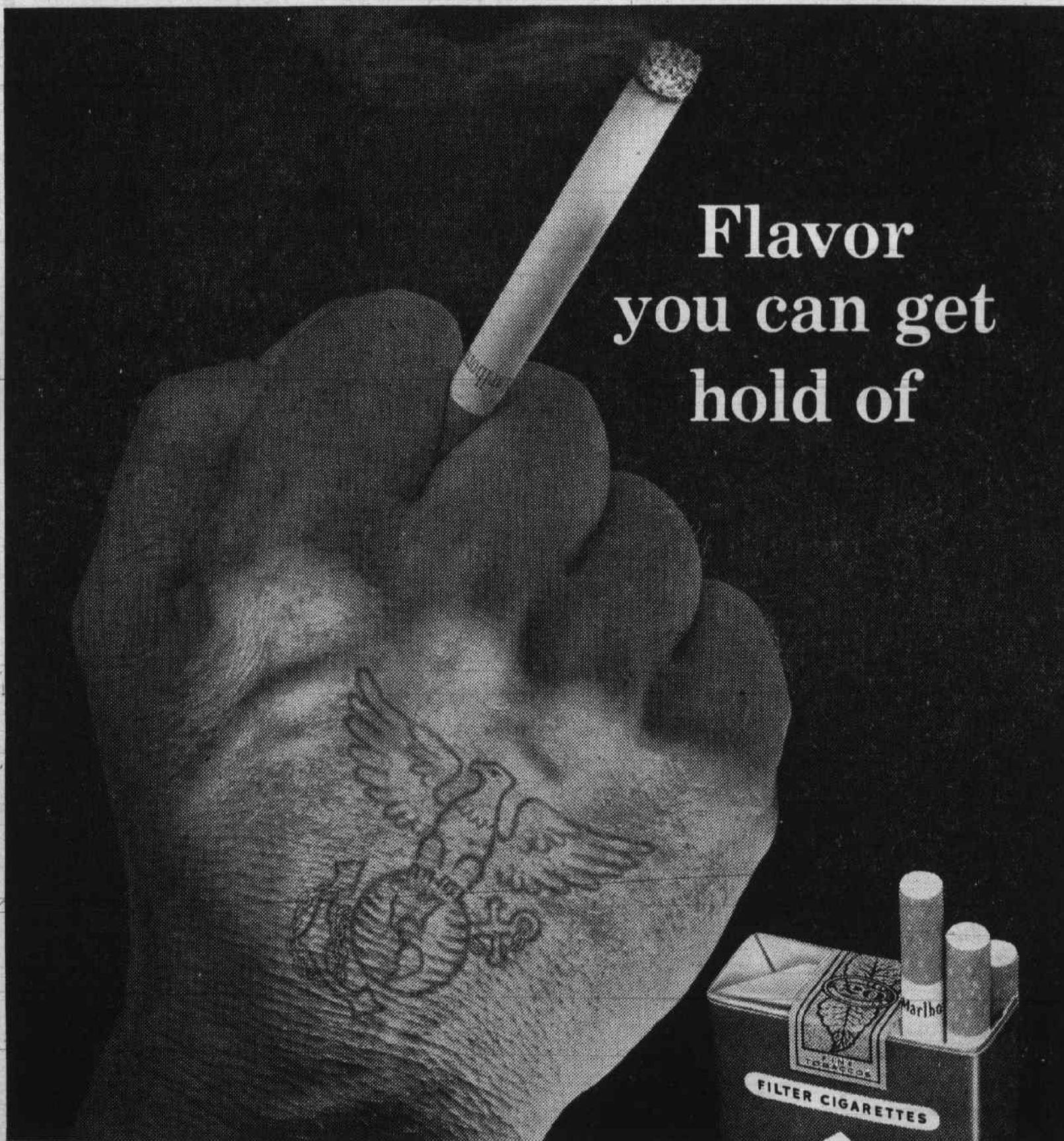
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